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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of:

Applicant : Geoffrey Manning  
Serial No. :  
Filed : Herewith  
Title : WORKBENCH  
Docket : 534334-013  
Examiner :  
Art Unit :

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Before examination please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the third full paragraph on page 1 with the following replacement paragraph:

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- -According to the first aspect of the invention, there is provided a transportable workbench comprising: a plurality of locations, each of which defines an aperture for passage of a tool of a power tool; and a single adjustable stop, also known as a fence, for guiding a work piece during a machinery operation with respect to any one of said locations.- -